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THE POSITIVE CHRISTIAN SINGLES NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 1992 ACTIVITIES

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! **1** Tonia Powers **2** Larry McQuithy **3** Billy Hancock, Lois Connell **7** Shirley Harris **8** Cora Crosby, Larry Dalton **9** Robert Long, Elizabeth Gilbert **10** Darel Rayburn **13** Nelda Gates **14** Tony Dyal **15** Sherie Maples, Paulette Butts **16** Cheryl Ozley **20** Nick Nichols, Carolyn Beall **23** Johnny Sada **26** Carolyn McLeod **30** Carolyn Wilson **31** Sherry Wolfe
Note: If your December birthday has been omitted, call Idelle Dear by 12/8. We'll print a belated list each month until we have everyone's birthday. **HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY! 11/19** Ed Brown **25** Minnie Padgett.

LEADERSHIP

PCS COORDINATOR.....Idelle Dear.....242-3797

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DANCE.....Dottie Long.....247-4237
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SHARING GROUPS
BIBLE STUDY.....
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PERSONAL GROWTH SUPPORT GROUP..
SINGLES SUPPORT GROUP.....Bobbie Croft.....244-0903
SPIRITUAL ISSUES RAP SESSION...
WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP.....

INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT
CARE.....
PRAYER CHAIN LEADER.....Jackie Harris.....242-9883

PCS SUPPORT
NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY.....Divorce Support Group
OUTREACH & CALLING.....
PUBLICITY.....Dottie Long.....247-4237
SCRAPBOOK.....Guy Sims.....904-973-6642
TREASURER.....

PCS is a network of over 1000 South Georgia and North Florida singles of all ages and ethnic backgrounds who attend one of many different churches or none at all. Our purpose is to provide singles the opportunity to make new friends and to participate in fun, fellowship, and personal growth by our sponsorship of the above activities. All singles--separated, divorced, widowed, or never married--are welcome to attend all activities; just come join us! Children are welcome at most activities. We're a nonprofit, self-supporting organization with no dues which relies on volunteers, contributions, fundraisers, and ads in our monthly newsletter. To get on our newsletter mailing list, call 912-242-3797 or write us.

"I CAME THAT THEY MAY HAVE AND ENJOY LIFE, AND HAVE IT IN ABUNDANCE--TO THE FULL, TILL IT OVERFLOWS." *(JOHN 10:10) from THE AMPLIFIED NEW TESTAMENT*

All the excitement of Christmas time is with us again; to celebrate we have an abundance of Christmas parties planned. Join us whenever you can; this is usually a month with higher participation in activities. Note that rather than doing Santa's Singles this year, we're referring everyone to Toys for Tots. See ad page 3.

This month you will notice several changes in the leadership list and calendar. **Parental Discussion Group** has been dropped due to lack of attendance. Many thanks to Bob Dalby for his leadership; he has offered to continue to be of help to single parents. We will periodically have single parent programs at Divorce Support Group since these have been well attended. **Singles Kids Support Group** is being dropped due to lack of interest and leadership. Future programs in this area will likewise be sponsored by Divorce Support Group. The Newly Widowed Support Group has become the **Widowed Support Group**, at Ginger Vaughan's suggestion, to eliminate the confusion over how long "Newly" means. The **Hobbies & Interest Groups** will be transformed into a dating resource book which will avoid the complication of needing computerization and will make continuous updates easy. The **Sports** program (softball, basketball, etc.--sports other than our weekly tennis and volleyball) has been eliminated due to there no longer being sufficient interest. We will try again as part of our 4th weekend **Parties & Outdoor Recreation** as the interest returns. Thanks to Darel Rayburn for his excellent leadership of our sports program while there was an interest. Similarly, Outdoor Recreation will now be combined with and planned along with 4th weekend parties since there is insufficient interest for it to stand alone on 1st weekends. This in turn will make the 1st Saturday available for **Multi-Ethnic Singles** which has been attracting a growing participation. (In December, however, it will be on the 2nd Saturday since the **Christmas Dance** is always on the 1st Saturday.) Finally, the **Church Relations** Chair position is being eliminated since it is no longer needed as it was when we first stopped being church-sponsored; we now have well established relations with many churches. Many thanks to Dave Winder who has done this since its beginning and accomplished its objectives.

After two years of excellent teaching, Donnie Mercer is having to give up his leadership of **Bible Study** due to other priorities. We are grateful for how he has enriched our lives and will miss him. We are seeking replacement teacher(s). **Sunday Fellowship** now has its first official leader thanks to Carolyn Beall who has volunteered.

Effective January 1, 1993, **Singles Night Out** activities (typically going out bowling, dining, dancing, etc. on Friday nights) will only be put on the calendar if we get a Singles Night Out chair and/or if people call to volunteer to sponsor and host an activity.

During this season of giving, consider making a donation to support the cost of printing and mailing this **Newsletter.** This month, if not for Guy Sims' generosity of donating $200, you wouldn't have one. Please help if you can.

Wishing you a joyous Christmas season and looking forward to celebrating with you!

With love for you and the abundant life, Idelle

HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST MONTH AND SPECIAL THANKS TO:

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER Mary Beth Crawford, Jimmy Jackson, James Morefield, Retha Perry, Guy Sims, and Vincent Woodward for assembling; Vincent Woodward for donating the 4 staplers we needed.

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS Minnie Padgett, Guy Sims, and Norm Davis (copies at Exotic Gardens).

TRIP PLANNING MEETING Carolyn Beall, Guy Sims, and Pat Hesters.

DANCE PLANNING MEETING Dottie Long and Ed Wooldridge.

SOUTH GEORGIA LEGION FAIR We met many new singles and had a fun time! Our attractive booth was decorated by Mary Beth Crawford, Marilyn Kreisher, Eleanora Jackson, and Lester Skaggs. It was staffed by Mary Beth Crawford, Marilyn Kreisher, Eleanora Jackson, Lester Skaggs, Erich Halbert, James Morefield, Stella Gillespie, Ralph Murphine, Retha Perry, Bea Binion, Ken Duff, Virginia Hancock, Ralph Penny, Vincent Woodward, and Ernest and Clarissa Boxx. Ernest and Clarissa Boxx and Frank Costantino helped at the end to clean up, take it all down, and pack it away for next year!

HALLOWEEN PARTY Jimmy Adams for use of his retreat.

BIBLE STUDY Benny Mitcham for hosting and Donnie Mercer for excellent enlightening teaching about faith.

WESTERN RODEO DANCE A bigger crowd than usual enjoyed Wendy Hart's DJing; there was lots of dancing! Remonda Stephens assisted by Sanford Luke provided refreshments; Remonda Stephens made a cake for the birthday celebration; Sanford Luke, Richard Everitt, and Arcey Leggett helped set up; and Charlene Ferris, Sanford Luke, and Arcey Leggett cleaned up. Dottie Long emceed a lively night and thanks to James Gaskins for calling the square dance.

SINGLES SUPPORT GROUP Oliver Loman for reviewing Marrying Later, Marrying Smarter and leading a lively discussion on it.

WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP Toni Ybarra and Ginger Vaughan for providing the grief recovery articles for the resource notebook and Toni Ybarra for the grief recovery tapes.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO: Jay Jordan and Lisa Lancaster, PCS Couple #24, who met on the Albany Singles Rally Trip September 21, 1991 and were married June 21, 1992. Dottie Long and Ed Wooldridge, who met in February at her job, became better acquainted through Divorce Support Group, and will be getting married next year. Kimberly Rowe and Shane Dular, who met at Volleyball in July 1990 and will be getting married April 17, 1993.

SPEEDY RECOVERY TO: Lester Skaggs at SGMC who is recovering from an automobile accident.

GREETINGS FROM: Zora Marquis, who is doing well, misses us, and wishes she were back. She would like all her friends to write her at 203 S. Farmington, Jackson, Missouri 63755 or call her at 314-243-0078. Zora, we miss you too!

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SEND SOME CHEER! If you know of anyone who has a special need or of an occasion where a personal touch would be appropriate, please contact the leader of the activity they frequent (until we get a new Care Chair).

IF YOU NEED:
PRAYER Call Jackie Harris at 912-242-9883 to start our very effective prayer chain going for you. Many answered prayers!
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VICTIMS SUPPORT GROUPS Sexual abuse, rape/date rape, homicide, & spousal abuse. Free. Info: Valorie Sherer 912-242-9991.
CHILDCARE Laurene Carter w912-244-4125/h244-0225. Drop-ins welcome.
NEWLY WIDOWED SUPPORT Call Virginia Hancock 912-242-1883; Joanne Tipps (young with young children) 912-455-2117; Mae Pope (Survivor's Support Group, 6PM, 3rd Tuesdays, informative speakers) 912-244-6925.

RIDES NEEDED TO ACTIVITIES: From Hwy 41S near Dasher to Volleyball, from Adel, and from Lake Park near Exit 2.

WE NEED: Publicity contacts for the Widowed Support Group and 50-Plus Singles Dance Party. Someone with a word processor to retype a guide for our grief recovery videotapes and a bibliography. **Singles Night Out, Parties & Outdoor Recreation**, and **Care** Chairs. **Bible Study** teacher(s). **Bible Study, Spiritual Issues Rap Session**, and **Widowed Support Group** coordinators. A host home for **Christmas Dinner & Fellowship** (a covered dish lunch).

MISSING NEWSLETTERS, ADDRESS CHANGES, AND MAILING LIST POLICIES: Newsletters are mailed free to areawide singles. It costs us about $7 per year per newsletter. Call Idelle Dear if you don't receive yours. To help us keep costs down, call ahead about an address change (saves 35¢-72¢), if you're getting married, or if you don't wish or need to receive a newsletter anymore. If you move over 90 miles from Valdosta, you'll automatically be removed from the mailing list unless you ask to remain on it. **PAID SUBSCRIPTIONS:** If you live over 90 miles from Valdosta or have been a Positive Christian Couple for a year or moved over 90 miles away over a year ago (unless you're a companion organization or you have been in PCS leadership, an advertiser, or a financial contributor within the last year), to be on the mailing list costs $7 per year and entitles you to one free admission per year to our Dance or 50-Plus Singles Dance Party. Subscriptions can be renewed by sending a check to PCS by the 15th of the month following the expiration notice.

WELCOME NEW PARTICIPANTS! BRISTOL Robert Harris **HAHIRA** Billy Harnage **LAKELAND** Arcey Leggett **LAKE PARK** Janice Marsh, Amy Priest, Carolyn Futch, and Pat McDonald **LENOX** Bueris Crumpton **MADISON** Mike Reader **QUITMAN** Sandra Douglas **RAY CITY** Dwayne Watson **SPARKS** Cecelia Whiddon **TIFTON** Naomi Taylor **VALDOSTA** Donna Haggerty, Doris Henderson, Franklin Brooks, Janice Hines, Donna Decker, Calvin Bennett, Louella King, Sabine Carter (welcome back!), Peggy Bollin, Susan Rooney, Randy Holcomb, Debbie Gatchell, John Crosby, Paula Carr, Jewell Mitchell, Dean Hatcher, Margaret Luke, Sherry Wolfe, Bruce Smith, Larry Giddens, Kimberly Foshee, Lucy Robinson, Terry Baker, Johnny Kier, Ron Rogers, Margaret Williams, Willie Rosser, Pauline Dempsey, and Kris Cain.
POSITIVE CHRISTIAN COUPLES (PCC) (Those who wish to remain active after marriage.) None this month.

COMMUNITY FOCUS: BELL Beverly Fishman **BRADENTON** Ilene Harnage **BRANFORD** Charlene Suggs **HIGH SPRINGS** Lilly Anders **JACKSONVILLE** Tim Draper and Byron Green **LAKE CITY** Judy Sears, Morris McClure, and Terry Bass **LIVE OAK** Lewis Weaver, Joe Banner, and Harry Gray **MELROSE** June Steedley **SAN MATEO** Bob Rogers.

A MOMENT OF REFLECTION BY DR. BILL GOOCH: The elections are now over and we, the American people, have spoken our will and pray that the government will again move forward. Wow! Meanwhile, back in everyday life, we are afraid to risk for each other and can't figure out why nobody cares. To care always means risk; not to risk means not to care; and not to care means not to love. To not love means not to be the church and to not be the church means not to believe and to not believe... Why do we say believe and ask the government to create community? It is up to us--you and me.

Love all of you, Bill 912-242-7830

WHEN ARE CHILDREN WELCOME? If the time an activity begins is underlined, as for example "6PM", children are welcome either to participate with the adults or to play nearby. Which of these depends on the nature of the activity. If the time is not underlined, children's presence is not advisable due to the adult nature of the activity.

CHILDCARE POSSIBLE Call a day ahead (best) or the afternoon of the meeting. Laurene Carter w912-244-4125/h244-0225.

DECEMBER WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUN **LUNCH** 12:30PM Mr.J's Family Steak House, St. Augustine Rd., I-75 Exit 5. Join us for friendly, lively conversation. Menu or food, potato, and salad bars. Ask cashier where our table is; get table for 8 if you're the first there.
FELLOWSHIP 7PM-9PM Western Sizzlin' Restaurant, 907 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. 25-50 enjoy dinner or just tea & talk!
December hosts: **6** Ralph Murphine and Benny Mitcham **13** Ralph Penny **20** Willie Rosser **27** To be announced.

TUE **TENNIS** 6PM McKey Park, Burton St. off Patterson St., south of Valdosta Jr. HS. Beginners, experts, all ages, all abilities--everyone is welcome! Find our court with the orange towel on the net pole.
VOLLEYBALL 7PM McKey Park (see Tennis). The "in" place for singles on Tuesday night--especially the younger crowd! Join us for fun, exercise, excitement, and friendly competition. Novices welcome--we train! Nonplayers socialize in the picnic shelter. Older kids may play; playground nearby for younger ones. Wonderful for single parents! After volleyball, some go eat or shoot pool at O'Ryley's. If it rains or is too cold, go to O'Ryley's. We're trying to get an indoor court for winter; if we do, we'll post a sign at the picnic shelter. Volleyball is FUN, FUN, FUN!

WED **DAYTIME SINGLES: BOWLING** 2:15PM Valdosta Lanes, 1405 N. Lee St., Valdosta. Join seniors from Craig Center who bowl weekly. All ages and observers welcome. $2 for 3 games including shoes. No bowling 12/23 and 12/30.

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THU **DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP** 7:30PM Childcare possible. Oak Terrace Apts. Clubhouse, 1639 E. Park Ave., Valdosta. PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! If you're separated or divorced, our discussions can be helpful. Our overriding aim is healing and personal growth through mutual support and encouragement. Monthly speaker meetings are described below.

DECEMBER UNIQUE ACTIVITIES

MEMORY AID: (Usually) **MONDAYS** 1st--Rap Session; 2nd--Bible Study; 3rd--Singles Support Group; 4th--Widowed Support Group **WEDNESDAYS** 1st & 3rd--Daytime Singles Lunch **FRIDAYS** 4th--50-Plus Singles Dance Party **SATURDAYS** 1st--Multi-Ethnic Singles; 2nd--Dance; 3rd--Trip; 4th--Parties & Outdoor Recreation; 5th--Longer Trip. Note: December Saturdays are reversed.

WED 2 **DAYTIME SINGLES: LUNCH** 12:15PM El Toreo Mexican Rest., Park Ave. and N. Ashley Sts., Valdosta. Fast, delicious, and inexpensive. Ask cashier for our table. Join us for your lunch hour or a leisurely lunch with friends.

FRI 4 **SINGLES NIGHT OUT: BOWLING** 7:30PM Jac's Lanes, 406 Connell Rd., Valdosta. $5 for 3 games including shoes (before 7:45PM); regular rates for fewer games. Novices and observers welcome.

SAT 5 **CHRISTMAS DANCE** 8PM American Legion Pool Clubhouse, Valdosta. From Hwy 41N, take Inner Perimeter Road east 1 block; turn left onto Country Club Rd.; go 100 yards to barber shop; turn right. Clubhouse phone: 912-245-8536. Dress up for the holidays! A night of mistletoe and Kisses! Typically the biggest, most festive dance of the year! Enjoy dancing to your favorite country, 50's-60's, and modern hits played by our terrific DJ, Wendy Hart, starring in his Cool Breeze Travlin' Music Show. Our biggest monthly party! Always new singles to meet! December birthdays celebration led by Remonda Stephens. $5.50 admission includes refreshments. FREE CHILDCARE: Trinity Presbyterian Church, corner of Bemiss Rd. & N. Oak St. Extension. **5PM** Come help hang decorations and set up tables, chairs, etc.

SUN 6 **TRIP ORGANIZING MEETING** 2:30PM Library, 300 Woodrow Wilson Dr., Valdosta. Conference Room. Help us file brochures.

PARTY QUARTERLY PLANNING MEETING 8PM Western Sizzlin' Rest., Valdosta. We need your ideas for successful parties!

MON 7 **SPIRITUAL ISSUES RAP SESSION: JUDAISM TODAY** 7:30PM Childcare possible. Oak Terrace Apts. Clubhouse, 1639 E. Park Ave., Valdosta. PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! Rabbi Steven Kaplan, Temple Israel, Valdosta, will lead a discussion on everything you've always wanted to know but didn't have anyone to ask. He has a BS Psychology/Sociology, Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology, and was ordained by Tifereth Israel Rabbinical Seminary, New York. He has been a counselor in private practice and at a state hospital. He comes here from Tampa where he was a professor at Univ. of S. Florida. He has had 2 books and a dozen articles published on Jewish spirituality and mysticism and Judaica; he's the editor of a rabinic journal. He is a self-defense instructor and collects Shaker furniture. And, he's single again!

TUE 8 **JANUARY NEWSLETTER INPUT DEADLINE** Please submit items by today to enable timely mailing.

FRI 11 **SINGLES NIGHT OUT: DANCING** 7PM Peach State Dance Club, 1202 W. Gordon, ½ mile SE of Baytree Rd. intersection, Valdosta. From 7 to 8:30, learn Country Western dancing: Two-Step, Swing, Polka, Line Dances, Wild Wild West, Country Waltz, & Cotton-Eyed Joe. 8:30 to midnight, open dancing! Nonalcoholic club. PCS special: $3 cover.333-0414.

SAT 12 **TRIP: TALLAHASSEE FOR SHOPPING & DINING (& ICE SKATING?)** 11AM Advance reservations required; call Carolyn Beall (mornings only) by 12/11 if you wish to carpool or meet us there. We'll carpool from Arby's end of Bud's parking lot, I-75 Exit 5, via Quitman and Greenville to Governor's Square Mall followed by dinner at Lucy Ho's. If desired, you can go ice skating for $6/hour at Leon County Civic Center (while we watch) before shopping. Make reservations ASAP for the 1:30PM time slot by calling 1-800-322-3602. Sleigh rides are $2. A wonderful pre-Christmas outing!

MULTI-ETHNIC SINGLES: FESTIVE CHRISTMAS PARTY 7:30PM The Commons Apts. Clubhouse, Hwy 94, ¼ mile west of I-75 Exit 5, upstairs! Linda Moore, who loves to cook, will treat us to her best turkey, dressing, and cake. Bring a covered dish, your favorite tapes, and games. If you wish, bring a $2-$5 gift to swap (kids bring for kids; adults for adults). Dressy casual. Paper goods and drinks provided for 75¢ per person. Multi-ethnic means Blacks, Whites, Hispanics, Orientals, etc.--all are encouraged to come!

MON 14 **BIBLE STUDY** 7:30PM Childcare possible. Benny Mitcham's office, 1101 Williams St., Valdosta. 912-245-1312. Rev. Robert Morgan, Associate Pastor, First Christian Church, Valdosta will be our guest teacher on a topic he'll pick. A dynamic speaker, he's also 25 and single!

WED 16 **DAYTIME SINGLES: LUNCH** 12:15PM Wendy's, 1609 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. Fast! Food bar. Join us for a midweek treat! Ask cashier for our table. **BOWLING TOURNAMENT** 1:45PM Valdosta Lanes, 1405 N. Lee St., Valdosta. Sponsored by Craig Center Senior Citizens Program. Call Gerry Corbett 912-333-1817 for details.

THU 17 **DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP: ADVANTAGES OF THE SINGLE LIFE** 7:30PM Childcare possible. Oak Terrace Apts. Clubhouse, 1639 E. Park Ave., Valdosta. PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! 7th of 9 monthly Divorce Recovery Workshop sessions. This session's purpose is to help us discover the advantages and disadvantages of being single. This workshop has been used by singles groups nationwide to help separated and divorced men and women understand and deal with their feelings, learn to forgive, reestablish their self-image, and consider what to do about new goals & relationships. It involves lecture, individual reflection, and group interaction. (Earlier sessions are not required to understand this one.)

FRI 18 **50-PLUS SINGLES DANCE PARTY** 8PM Craig Center, 1104 W. Gordon St., Valdosta. From N. Patterson St., go west on Gordon about 1.2 miles; Craig Center is on right before reaching Melody Lane. Enjoy dancing to country, ballroom, big band, 50's-60's, & modern dance favorites. Nondancers can socialize or learn to dance--we teach! Dress Christmassy. $2 admission includes drinks. Optional: Bring your most bragged about homemade snacks and your favorite tapes or albums. Bring all your friends (especially male!) Make new friends; enjoy warm fellowship, fun, and HUGS! Join those who enjoy coming monthly! **7PM** Please come help us set up tables, refreshments, etc.

SAT 19 **TRIP: LIVE OAK FOR DINNER AT MAMIE'S & CHRISTMAS LIGHTS TOUR** 6PM Carpool from Arby's end of Bud's parking lot or meet us at 6:45PM at Mamie's Restaurant, 106 SW 1st Ave., downtown Jasper. This is PCC Janet & Ed Harris' new restaurant. Janet cooks and Ed serves and entertains. Enjoy a sumptuous buffet of meat, vegetables, & desserts for $5.95 or prime rib, steaks, etc. in an atmosphere of antiques and curios. After dinner, Guy Sims will lead us on a driving tour of Live Oak's annual showcase of extravagantly lit homes (about 50), Santa Claus Lane in Clyattville, and the luminaria in Wood Valley, Valdosta. This is our third annual repeat of a favorite trip.

MON 21 **SINGLES SUPPORT GROUP: LOSE THE CHRISTMAS BLUES, GAIN THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT** 7:30PM Childcare possible. Spring Chase Apts. Clubhouse, Norman Dr., ¼ mile south of Red Lobster, I-75 Exit 5. PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! We'll learn many ways to avoid holiday depression and help ourselves by helping others. Bring homemade or bought goodies along with some of last year's ribbon and wrapping paper. We'll put together gift-wrapped packages of goodies for children in the hospital. Of course, we'll have to sample what we're wrapping!

WED **SINGLES NIGHT OUT: DESSERT PARTY** 8:30PM Shoney's, 1701 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. For heaven's sake, don't sit home lonely tonight. Join us in chasing our holiday blues away with rich chocolate desserts, strawberry pie, cheesecake... Ask cashier where our table of self-indulgence and pepping up the pre-Christmas spirit is located.

THU 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE OPEN HOUSE** 7PM Maureen Sitzman's home, 413 Georgetown Dr., Valdosta. 912-244-2191. Take Northside Dr. to Windemere St. which is 1 block west of N. Oak St.; turn left; go to end of block and park; walk to left side middle of Georgetown Circle block. Come and go as you wish all evening. Optional: Bring Christmas goodies to share. This is the loneliest night of the year for many singles; be sure to invite anyone without family here to this wonderful cheerful and festive fellowship which is an annual favorite treat! Age 14+ only please.

FRI 25 **CHRISTMAS DINNER & FELLOWSHIP** 12PM Location still unknown. We need a volunteer host home or this will be cancelled. If we have it, we'll eat at 1PM. Bring a covered dish to share. Be sure to invite anyone who is without family nearby since Christmas is a time when families are least likely to invite non-family members over. Call Idelle Dear Christmas morning for location or cancellation. Call her ASAP if you will host.

SAT 26 **SINGLES NIGHT OUT: MOVIES** 4:15PM Ashley Cinema, 2812 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. Meet out front to sit together. All seats $3. **DINNER** 7PM Pirate's Bluff Seafood Rest., 5 Points Shopping Center, Valdosta. Fresh seafood, steak, & chicken. Family prices. Casual nautical atmosphere. Ask cashier for our table. **DANCING** 9PM Holiday Inn Lounge, I-75 Exit 5. Crossfire Band plays popular favorites. Find our tables. No cover. Host: Maureen Sitzman.

SUN 27 **JANUARY NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY** 2:30PM NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FOR THIS MONTH! Western Sizzlin' Rest., 907 N. Ashley, Valdosta. Meeting room in back. Help the Divorce Support Group volunteers put together your newsletter while you enjoy getting to know other singles! Great way to make friends!

MON 28 **WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP** 7:30PM Childcare possible. Western Sizzlin' Restaurant, 907 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. Make new friends who will understand your loss and help your transition to single life. Resources to help speed your grief recovery. Ask cashier for our table.

WED 30 **DAYTIME SINGLES: LUNCH** 12:15PM Red Lobster, St. Augustine Rd., I-75 Exit 5. Same delicious food as dinner but cheaper. Whether you're on vacation or working, join us for friendly fellowship. Ask cashier for our table.

THU 31 **NEW YEAR'S PARTY** 9PM Larry Baggett's home, 1505 Slater St., Valdosta. 912-242-0927. Look for house with white picket fence 1 block south of College St. Party Objective: Friendship, fun, and laughter! Midnight toast and madness! Door prizes! Bring noisemakers, music for dancing, and Mexican snacks, party trays, or desserts. Bring 1992 New Year's resolutions you managed to keep to brag about; bring 1993 New Year's *resolutions to brag about you* hope you'll keep! Bring noisemakers! Bring friends! Bring an expectant happy spirit! Drinks and paper goods and midnight toast provided. Admission: $2. FREE CHILDCARE: Trinity Presbyterian Church, corner of Bemiss Rd. & N. Oak St. Extension; advance notice of number and ages of children you'll bring required; call 912-242-3797. Repeat of a terrific party we had last year!

FRI 1/1 **NEW YEAR'S DAY OPEN HOUSE** 12PM Benny Mitcham's home, W. Park Ave. between Patterson and Oak Sts., Valdosta. Park across street in Park Cranford Center parking lot (the dentists' offices); walk west toward Oak St. 2 houses to 2-story on right. Mega football extravaganza! Bring dish to share if you'd like to enjoy lunch together at 1PM. In any case, bring TV snacks/drinks to share during an afternoon spent watching the games. Yes, both sexes welcome!

SAT 1/16 **SNOW SKI TRIP** 8AM Advance reservations required; call Carolyn Beall (mornings only) by January 7, 1993. Carpool from K-Mart parking lot across from NationsBank. Arrive Saturday evening. On Sunday and Monday, enjoy skiing, ski school, ice skating, bob sledding, scenic Smokey Mountain chairlift rides, and/or sightseeing. Return home by Tuesday night. Estimated cost: $40/day skiing (including ski rental and lift tickets; ski clothes can be rented for additional fee); $10/night motel (3 nights); gas share; food. Estimated total: $100-$150.

JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS

2	Multi-Ethnic Singles Party
4	Rap Session: Defining Success
9	Tailgate Dance
16	Snow Ski Trip
21	Divorce Recovery Workshop: New Goals
22	50-Plus Singles Dance Party
23	4th Annual Amateur Talent Night
30	Dinner @ Old Mill Rest./Dancing @ VFW

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

6	Multi-Ethnic Singles Party
1	Rap Session: Situation Ethics
13	Valentine's Dance
?	Olustee Battlefield State Historic Site
18	Divorce Recovery Workshop: Relationships
26	50-Plus Singles Dance Party
27	Progressive Dinner Party

OTHER SINGLES ACTIVITIES: Pinochle Every Sunday afternoon at Maureen Sitzman's home. 912-244-2191. **Mistletoe** Free. See Della Vinton at Sunday Fellowship. **Hiking** Sponsored by Trinity Singles, Gainesville. 12/5, 10:30AM. Stephen Foster State Park. Hike 5 miles along Suwannee River; lunch after at the historic Telford Inn. Pack snacks, water, and hiking shoes. Fee: $3.25/car. Info: Ted Kmet 904-378-4730. 20-25 usually go.

SINGLES SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AND/OR FELLOWSHIP: VALDOSTA Church of the King Episcopal The Joshua Generation. Every Friday. Terry Williams 912-242-6323. **Evangel Assembly of God** Singles Class. Denise Farmer 912-242-1060. **First Baptist** Single Adults Class. Mark Eanes 912-247-2088. **Greater Pleasant Temple Baptist** Singles Fellowship. Third Saturdays. Glorous Carter 912-245-1907. **Park Ave. United Methodist** Potpourri, Young & Restless, & New Horizons (partially singles) classes. Dave Winder 912-244-6089. **Trinity Presbyterian** New Singles Class. Rev. Biff Coker 912-242-3468. **Victory Temple Church of God** Fellowship. Margaret Johnson 912-244-9625. Call Idelle Dear if there are any others that you would like to have listed here.

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FINDERS KEEPERS Mature, trustworthy, affectionate, and adventurous Christian, 29, seeks demurely confident, attractive lady, 25-35, with similar qualities. I am a medical professional who loves children and enjoys roller coasters, SCUBA, weightlifting, computers, electronics, and vacationing. All replies will be answered. (OC2M13)

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OTHER ACTIVITIES: ACOA Support Groups 12-step recovery programs for people from dysfunctional families. One meets every Thursday, 8:30PM, First Christian Church, focuses on problems associated with having grown up in alcoholic family. Other meets every Tuesday, 8:30PM, Greenleaf Center cafeteria, is led by Sue Stokes (912-242-6194), and focuses on problems associated with having grown up in family with any type of dysfunction: chemical dependence, co-dependence, chronic mental or disabling physical illness, authoritarian religion or discipline, punitiveness, criticalness, judgementalism, no or conditional love, perfectionism, inadequacy, abuse (physical, sexual, mental, emotional, or spiritual), compulsive overeating or gambling, etc. By attending meetings, one can grow in self-esteem, learn how to give up behaviors which are self-defeating to happiness, and become a person who can have more success with intimate relationships. Meetings last 1 hour, are free, and are open to everyone. **Copendency Group** Same as above but with Christian scriptural framework. Meets every Tuesday, 7PM, Perimeter Road Baptist Church, Valdosta. 912-333-0746.

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